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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Dear Sir,

This is responsive to the PTO communication of 06/09/2004 finally rejecting claims 1-4, 8-16, 18-20 and objecting to claims 5-7 and 17.

If an extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefore. If any additional fees are required, please charge Deposit Account No. 19-3790.

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I hereby certify that this Amendment After Final responsive to Office Action dated June 9, 2004 in the above-identified patent application, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed is being telefaxed to 703-872-9306 on August 6, 2004.

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